

Kasson Township Board of Review - Minutes March 14 and 16, 2022

1. Call to Order

Schaeffer called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM, March 14, 2022.

2. Roll Call

Present: Supervisor Greg Julian, and Board of Review members Mike Shimek, Dick Witham, Chuck Schaeffer..

3. Housekeeping Matters

- A. The Board Members turned in their certificates of training from their July 2021 training. The certificates will be filed with the Tax Roll for 2021.
- B. Schaeffer reviewed the process for handling an appeal, defining duties for the Board Members and Supervisor.
- C. The Board again discussed the need for an alternate member for the Board. Two names as possible alternates were identified. Supervisor Julian was asked to bring the matter back to the Township Board for consideration.

4. Business of the Board - Monday Session

This meeting of the Board of Review is prescribed by State statute to hear residents' appeals of one or more of the following:

- Assessed Values;
- Tentative Taxable Values;
- Poverty Exemptions;
- Veterans Disability Exemptions;
- Assessment Classifications; and
- Denials by Assessor of Continuation of Qualified Agricultural Exemptions.

No taxpayers or members of the public appeared at this session of the meeting.

No formal decisions on appeals were made during the Monday session.

5. Recess the Meeting

Moved by Witham, **seconded** by Shimek to recess and resume the meeting at 3:00 PM, Wednesday March 16.

Ayes: Witham, Shimek, Schaeffer. Motion carried. The meeting was recessed at 3:00 PM, Monday March 14, 2021.

6. Resume the Meeting - Wednesday Session

Chair Schaeffer called the meeting back to order at 3:00 pm, Wednesday March 16, 2022. Board of Review Members Witham, Shimek, Schaeffer,, and Supervisor Julian were present.

7. Housekeeping Matter

Schaeffer presented the March 16 draft of updates to the Board By-Laws that had previously been forwarded to the board members. Summarizing the changes:

- Update to Section 1, B, 1 changing the term of the Chairperson to two years, beginning on January 1 of odd-numbered years (same as the term of office of all board members.)
- Updates to Section 2, A, specifying that the hours for the organizational and taxpayer appeals meeting are established by the board.
- An update to Section 2, G correcting the address to that of the current Township Assessor.
- An addition to section 2, H, 6 by adding the word “by” to clarify the meaning, “decision will be reached.”
- An update to Section 4, A, 1 specifically defining “relative or family member.”
- Inserting a new Section 5, specifying training requirements and reporting to the Township Board.
- The former Section 5, “Amendments”, is renumbered to Section 6.

Moved by *Shimek*, **seconded** by *Witham* to approve the updated Board of Review By-Laws, dated March 16, 2022, as summarized, above.

Ayes: Witham, Shimek, Schaeffer Motion Carried

8. Business of the Board

Assessor Krombeen joined the meeting at 7:00 PM.

The Board considered written appeals. The owner, parcel number, written or in person, basis for appeal and disposition are summarized here:

Appeal 2022-W01 Patrick Buday, 45-007-005-002-00. Written. Disabled Veteran Exemption. Granted.

Moved by *Shimek*, **seconded** by *Witham* to **APPROVE** the application for a Disabled Veterans Exemption.

Ayes: Witham, Shimek, Schaeffer Motion Carried

Appeal 2022-W02 - Russell Beaty — 45-007-023-002-51. Written. Disabled Veteran Exemption. Granted.

Moved by *Witham*, **seconded** by *Shimek* to **APPROVE** the application for a Disabled Veterans Exemption.

Ayes: Shimek, Schaeffer, Witham. Motion Carried.

Appeal 2022-W03 - Michael Valkner — 45-007-029-001-20. Written. Disabled Veteran Exemption. Granted.

Moved by *Shimek*, **seconded** by *Witham* to **APPROVE** the application for a Disabled Veterans Exemption.

Ayes: Witham, Shimek, Schaeffer, Motion Carried.

Appeal 2022-W04 Harold Feigel — 45-007-002-001-10. Written. Disabled Veteran Exemption. Granted.

Moved by *Schaeffer*, **seconded** by *Shimek* to **APPROVE** the application for a Disabled Veterans Exemption.

Appeal 2022-W05-.John Yonkers -- 045-007-019-008-52. Written. Correction of property class. Class required correction due to omission of change at sale. Granted.

Moved by *Witham*, **seconded** by *Shimek* to **APPROVE** the correction of class.

Ayes: Witham, Shimek, Schaeffer Motion Carried.

Appeal 2022-W06- Dennis Flees — 45-007-003-023-32. Written. Appeal of Assessed and Tentative Taxable Values. Owner asserted that because of the nature of the composting operation across from his property, the valuation was high. He cited odors, insects, and gathering of sea gulls that should reduce the value of his property.

Moved by *Schaeffer*, **seconded** by *Shimek* to **DENY** the appeal on the grounds that the composting operation and its related nuisances has existed on the neighboring property since before the applicant built. In addition, the amount of a reduction cannot be determined until the property is sold, and the correct market value can be determined.

Ayes: Witham, Shimek, Schaeffer Motion Carried.

9. Public Comment

No members of the public attended either session.

10. Next Meetings in 2022

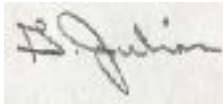
July 19, 2022. 9:00 AM, Township Hall.
December 13, 2022, 9:00 AM, Township Hall

11. Adjournment

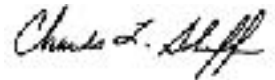
With no other business to come before the Board, it was

Moved by *Schaeffer*, **seconded** by *Shimek* to adjourn the March Board of Review.

Ayes: Witham, Shimek, Schaeffer. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM, Wednesday March 16, 2022.



Greg Julian
Secretary to Board of Review



Chuck Schaeffer
Chairman, Board of Review